Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-9. (canceled)

10. (previously presented) A gene transfer vector comprising an exogenous gene encapsulated in a native virus envelope, prepared by a method comprising the steps of:

adding protamine sulfate to the exogenous gene;

mixing a virus with the exogenous gene; and

freezing and thawing the mixture two or more times.

11-16. (canceled)

17. (Currently amended) ~~The method according to claim 15, further comprising the step of~~A method for preparing a gene transfer vector comprising an exogenous gene encapsulated in a native virus envelope for gene transfer, wherein the method comprises the steps of:

mixing a virus with the exogenous gene;

freezing and thawing the mixture two or more times; and

inactivating the virus.

18. (canceled)

19. (previously presented) A method for introducing an exogenous gene into a suspended cell, wherein the method comprises the steps of:

mixing the suspended cell with a gene transfer vector comprising the exogenous gene encapsulated in a native virus envelope in the presence of protamine sulfate; and

centrifuging the mixture.

20-22. (canceled)

23. (previously presented) A gene transfer vector comprising an exogenous gene encapsulated in a native virus envelope, wherein the gene transfer vector is prepared by a method comprising the steps of:

adding protamine sulfate to the exogenous gene;

mixing a virus with the exogenous gene in the presence of a detergent.

24-33. (canceled)

34. (previously presented) The method according to claim 19, wherein the native virus envelope is derived from a wild-type or a recombinant-type virus.

35. (previously presented) The method according to claim 19, wherein the native virus envelope is derived from a virus belonging to the Paramyxoviridae family.

36. (previously presented) The method according to claim 19, wherein the native virus envelope is derived from HVJ.